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# **Version With Markings to Show Changes**

#### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, at line 2 (after the title), please insert the following text:

## -- RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a National Phase application of PCT/GB00/00747 filed on March 2, 2000 and published in English, which claims priority from Application GB 9905505.5 filed on March 11, 1999.

# FIELD OF THE INVENTION--

On page 1, at line 4 (between the first and second paragraph (before "Electrical connectors")), please insert the following centered text:

# --BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

On page 1, at line 19 (before "There has now been devised"), please insert the following centered text:

### --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

On page 3, at line 14 (before "The invention will now"), please insert the following centered text:

# -- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

On page 4, at line 4 (before the phrase "Referring first"), please insert the following centered text:

### -- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE ILLUSTRATED EMBODIMENTS--

On page 5, at line 13, please insert the following:

-- The foregoing is illustrative of the present invention and is not to be construed as limiting thereof. Although a few exemplary embodiments of this invention have been described, those skilled in the art will readily appreciate that

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many modifications are possible in the exemplary embodiments without materially departing from the novel teachings and advantages of this invention. Accordingly, all such modifications are intended to be included within the scope of this invention as defined in the claims. In the claims, means-plus-function clauses are intended to cover the structures described herein as performing the recited function and not only structural equivalents but also equivalent structures. Therefore, it is to be understood that the foregoing is illustrative of the present invention and is not to be construed as limited to the specific embodiments disclosed, and that modifications to the disclosed embodiments, as well as other embodiments, are intended to be included within the scope of the appended claims. The invention is defined by the following claims, with equivalents of the claims to be included therein.—

## IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract at page 8 with the following Abstract:

#### [Abstract

An electrical connector comprises a connector body (10) with a tubular socket (12) having to receive an electrical conductor (30). Clamping means (15) are arranged to secure the electrical conductor (30) within the socket (12). A socket insert (20) fits within the socket (12) so as to reduce the effective size of the socket (12). The socket insert (20) is tubular and is adapted to be deformed by the clamping means (15) into retaining engagement with the electrical conductor (30).]

# --ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR WITH DEFORMABLE INSERT ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Electrical connectors are provided including a connector body with a tubular socket to receive an electrical conductor. A clamping means is arranged to secure the electrical conductor within the socket. A socket insert fits within the socket so as to reduce the effective size of the socket. The socket insert is tubular and is adapted to be deformed by the clamping means into retaining engagement with the electrical

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conductor .--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace Claims 1-3 and 5-12 with the following.

1. (Amended) An electrical connector comprising a connector body [with] <u>including</u> a tubular socket <u>configured</u> to receive[, in use,] an electrical conductor, clamping means arranged to secure the electrical conductor within the socket, and a socket insert fitting within the <u>tubular</u> socket so as to reduce the effective size of the socket, wherein the socket insert is tubular and is adapted to be deformed by the clamping means into retaining engagement with the electrical conductor.

- 2. (Amended) A connector as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the socket insert is [of] aluminum.
- 3. (Amended) A connector as claimed in Claim 1 [or Claim 2], wherein the socket insert [is formed with] <u>has at least one of a castellated or corrugated profile.</u>
- 5. (Amended) A connector as claimed in [any preceding claim] <u>Claim 1</u>, wherein [the] <u>an</u> internal surface of the tubular socket insert [is provided with] <u>has at least one of serrations or tooth-like formations.</u>
- 6. (Amended) A connector as claimed in [any preceding claim] <u>Claim 1</u>, wherein the socket is a bore of <u>substantially</u> circular cross-section.
- (Amended) A connector as claimed in [any preceding claim] <u>Claim 1</u>,
   wherein the clamping means comprises [one or more] <u>at least one</u> clamping [bolts]